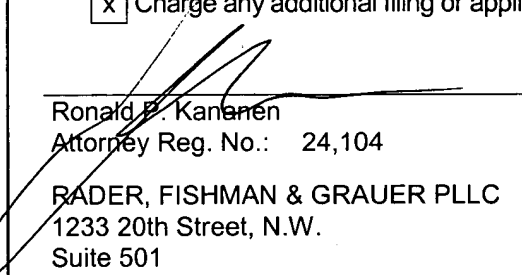


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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated August 9, 2005 (Paper No. 805), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: